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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified patent application, kindly enter the following preliminary amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraphs:

Fig. 5A is an illustration showing the optical system of a light source apparatus incorporating a DMD having a spectroscopic reflecting film formed thereon.

Fig. 5B is an outline for micromirrors of the DMD in Fig. 5A each having a spectroscopic reflecting film coated in its reflecting surface.

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